

Court of our Province of Maryland Greeting, Whereas by Virtue of a Writ of Error issued out of our high Court of Chancery the Record and proceedings of a certain Judgm<sup>t</sup> given by you the Justices of our s<sup>d</sup> Court in favour of Charles Carroll the 2<sup>d</sup> day of March A<sup>o</sup> 1694 (upon a Writ of Error by him brought in a Judgm<sup>t</sup> given ag<sup>t</sup> him by a certain Sp<sup>st</sup> Court of Oyer and Terminer, the 18<sup>th</sup> day of February A<sup>o</sup> 1692. on an information by Nehemiah Blackiston Esq who as well for Us as for himself in that behalf prosecuted) have been transmitted and laid before our Govern<sup>r</sup> and Council for hearing Appeals and Writs of Error to Correct Errors as was Say'd, and the Same having there been heard and fully considered do find no reason for Setting aside or reversing yo<sup>r</sup> Judgm<sup>t</sup> thereon given but on the Contrary have affirm'd the Same, We therefore Command you that upon the Judgm<sup>t</sup> afores<sup>d</sup> you do proceed and go on and render and award Execution thereon as fully and amply as if the Writ afores<sup>d</sup> before our Govern<sup>r</sup> and Council to Correct Errors etc: had Never been brought, Witness our Trusty and well beloved Francis Nicholson Esq Cap<sup>t</sup> Gen<sup>l</sup> and Govern<sup>r</sup> in Cheif in and over our Province and Territory afores<sup>d</sup> this 29<sup>th</sup> day of March in the Ninth Year of our Reign etc: Annoque Domini 1697.

Per Cur:

Hen: Denton Clk Concil per App<sup>tes</sup> [etc.]

His Ma<sup>ty</sup> ag<sup>t</sup> Swetnam and Elias King

*Writ of Diminution*

William the Third by the Grace of God, King of England Scot[land] France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith etc: To the Justices of the prov<sup>st</sup> Court of our Province of Maryland, Greeting, Whereas Elias King of Kent County was p<sup>r</sup>sented by the Grand Jury of this Province for breach of Severall of our Laws and Acts of Ass<sup>bl</sup>y [59] etc: And Receiv'd a Tryall for the Same by a Jury of twelve Men etc: before you the 5<sup>th</sup> day of Octob<sup>r</sup> last past, And whereas Richard Swetnam of Talbot County (being likewise p<sup>r</sup>sented for perjury) received in like manner a Tryall for the Same by a jury of twelve men etc: before you the 6<sup>th</sup> day of the s<sup>d</sup> Octob<sup>r</sup> and were both acquitted thereon; but Forasmuch as our Attorney Gen<sup>l</sup> finding Cause to Appeal from yo<sup>r</sup> Judgm<sup>t</sup> in both the s<sup>d</sup> Actions unto our Govern<sup>r</sup> and Council for hearing Appeals and Writs of Error, had pursuant thereto the Transcript of the proceedings in both Tryalls transmitted unto our s<sup>d</sup> Govern<sup>r</sup> and Council in Order to filing Reasons for Such his Appeal and Arguing the Same: And he having Signified and Complain'd unto our s<sup>d</sup> Govern<sup>r</sup> and Council how that a full Transcript of the s<sup>d</sup> proceedings is not transmitted in that our Writ of Venire is wanting in both, and not therein Expressed whereby the Record is diminished and he not able to proceed further for want thereof; We do therefore Command that without delay you Cause a full Transcript of the whole proceedings in both Actions to be transmitted unto our s<sup>d</sup> Govern<sup>r</sup> and Council without any Diminution whatsoever to the End Speedy Justice may be